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1. OPIC PREFERS ALPHONSE KOUMAN TO BE COORDINATOR FOR OPIC MISSION, GIVEN REPRESENTATION FROM SEVERAL INDUSTRIES IN GROUP. KOUMAN SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO KEEP AMAGOU ADVISED OF SCHEDULING AND PLANS. OPIC FORESEES TWO DAYS OF FIELD TRIPS FOR AGRIBUSINESS MEMBERS OF MISSION DURING OPIC STAY, I.E., FERKE SUGAR PROJECT ON FRIDAY AND POSSIBLY PALM OIL OR PINEAPPLE ON SATURDAY. AMAGOU SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN THESE PLANS. WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HIS SUGGESTIONS FOR POSSIBLE SATURDAY VISITS OF MOST VALUE FOR AGRIBUSINESS MEMBERS.

2. THIRTY LAGOON-SIDE SINGLE RESERVATIONS FOR MARCH 31 - APRIL 2 HAVE BEEN REQUESTED AT HOTEL IVOIRE IN NAME OF AMERICAN BUSINESS DELEGATION BY TELEX FROM MOHUN TRAVEL AGENCY, WILLIAM J. BIRD COORDINATOR. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY CONFIRM AVAILABILITY NUMBER AND PRICE OF ROOMS.

3. FOR TRAVEL TO FERKE ON FRIDAY, CAN GROUP RESERVE ABOUT
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15 SPACES ON SODESUCRE PLANE OR SHOULD WE TAKE CHARTER

FLIGHT? HOW MUCH WOULD IT COST? WOULD GOIC SHARE OR PICK

UP COST? COMMERCIAL FLIGHT TO KORHOGO AND RETURN WOULD NOT
PERMIT LONG ENOUGH STAY AT PROJECT.

4. WILL FOLLOW WITH MORE DETAILS. INGERSOLL

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